**REMARKS** 

Claims 24-38 have been canceled. New claims 39-41 have been added and are now

pending. No new matter has been added by the amendments herein. Reconsideration is

requested.

Claims 24-38 have been canceled, and therefore the rejections of the current office action

are moot.

The Examiner stated that claims 27, 28 and 30 were objected to as being dependent upon

a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of

the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Applicant has rewritten claims 27,

28 and 30 into independent claims 39, 40 and 41, respectively, including all of the limitations of

the base claim. Therefore, claims 39-41 are allowable.

In view of the foregoing, applicant respectfully submits that all pending claims are in

condition for allowance. Reexamination and reconsideration of the application are respectfully

requested and allowance at an early date is solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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